

EXHIBIT B

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261st District Court**Case Summary****Case No. D-1-GN-18-001835****HESLIN V JONES**§
§Location: **261st District Court**
Filed on: **04/16/2018**

Case Information

Case Type: Defamation
Case Status: **11/06/2019 Open**

Assignment Information

Current Case AssignmentCase Number D-1-GN-18-001835
Court 261st District Court
Date Assigned 04/16/2018

Party Information

Defendant	FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC	REYNAL, FEDERICO ANDINO <i>Retained</i>
		Blott, Jacquelyn W <i>Retained</i>
INFOWARS LLC		REYNAL, FEDERICO ANDINO <i>Retained</i>
		Blott, Jacquelyn W <i>Retained</i>
JONES, ALEX E		Blott, Jacquelyn W <i>Retained</i>
		REYNAL, FEDERICO ANDINO <i>Retained</i>
SHROYER, OWEN		Blott, Jacquelyn W <i>Retained</i>

Case Events

04/16/2018	ASM:GN CIVIL PETITION <i>Event Code: 600 Adjmt Amount: 307.00</i>
04/16/2018	 ORIGINAL PETITION/APPLICATION <i>PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE Event Code: 5050</i>
04/16/2018	NEW:ORIGINAL PETITION/APPL (OCA) <i>Event Code: 4500</i>
04/23/2018	 LETTER/EMAIL/CORR <i>LETTER REQUESTING ISSUANCE (CITATION) Event Code: 5414</i>
04/27/2018	ASM:CITATION ISSUE <i>Event Code: 702 Adjmt Amount: 32.00</i>
06/18/2018	 ANSWER

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DEFENDANTS' ORIGINAL ANSWER Event Code: 5150

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

06/27/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
VACATION LETTER Event Code: 5414

06/28/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
VACATION LETTER Event Code: 5414

06/29/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
VACATION LETTER Event Code: 5414
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

06/29/2018  NTC:ATTORNEY/COUNSEL
SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL Event Code: 5550
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

07/13/2018  AMENDED/SUPPLEMENTED ANSWER
DEFENDANTS' FIRST AMENDED ANSWER Event Code: 5152
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

07/13/2018  MOTION
DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTI CIPATION ACT Event Code: 5265
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

07/19/2018  NOTICE
NOTICE OF HEARING Event Code: 5554
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

07/23/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM: MARK C. ENOCH Event Code: 5414
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/10/2018  ASSIGNMENT BY PRESIDING JUDGE
ASSIGNMENT BY PRESIDING JUDGE Event Code: 5423

08/16/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM SCOTT H JENKINS JUDGE 53RD DISTRICT COURT TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS Event Code: 5414

08/17/2018  MOTION
PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS FOR INTENTIONAL DESTRUCTION OF EVIDENCE Event Code: 5265

08/17/2018  MOTION
PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY IN AID OF PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' TCPA MOTION Event Code: 5265

08/21/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM MARK C. ENOCH Event Code: 5414
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/23/2018  RESPONSE
DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY Event Code: 5153
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/27/2018 

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PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5153

08/27/2018

AFFIDAVIT

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5401

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/27/2018

**AMENDED/SUPPLEMENTED ANSWER**

DEFENDANTS' FIRST AMENDED RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY AND DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SANCTIONS Event Code: 5152

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/28/2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVITS IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5482

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/28/2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' FIRST AMENDED RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY AND DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SANCTIONS Event Code: 5482

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/29/2018

**OBJECTIONS**

DEFENDANTS' OBJECTIONS TO PLAINTIFF'S EVIDENCE SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5156

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/29/2018

**OTHER**

DEFENDANTS' FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5415

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/29/2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' FIRST AMENDED RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY AND DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SANCTIONS Event Code: 5401

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/29/2018

**AMENDED/SUPPLEMENTED ANSWER**

DEFENDANTS' SECOND AMENDED ANSWER Event Code: 5152

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/30/2018

**MOTION**

DEFENDANTS' SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5265

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/30/2018

**AFFIDAVIT**

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' FIRST AMENDED RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY AND DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SANCTIONS Event Code: 5401

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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/30/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR

LETTER Event Code: 5414

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/30/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR

LETTER/EMAIL/CORR Event Code: 5414

08/31/2018 **ORDER***ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR EXPEDITED DISCOVERY IN AID OF PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' TCPA MOTION* Event Code: 822509/11/2018 **OTHER***DEFENDANTS' REQUEST FOR RULINGS ON TIMELY FILED OBJECTIONS TO PLAINTIFF'S EVIDENCE* Event Code: 5415

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

09/14/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR

LETTER FROM MARK C. ENOCH Event Code: 5414

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

09/25/2018 **OTHER***DEFENDANTS' SECOND RENEWED REQUEST FOR RULINGS ON TIMELY FILED OBJECTIONS TO PLAINTIFF'S EVIDENCE* Event Code: 5415

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

09/28/2018  MOTION

DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE/CONFIDENTIALITY ORDER Event Code: 5265

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/01/2018  MTN:MODIFY, REDUCE, ENFO,CONTE

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215 Event Code: 5261

10/02/2018  NOTICE OF APPEAL

DF-1 NOTICE OF APPEAL Event Code: 5553

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/02/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR

LETTER TO JUDGE JENKINS Event Code: 5414

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/03/2018 ASM:CV MOTION FOR CONTEMPT

Event Code: 635 Adjmt Amount: 80.00

10/03/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR

LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414

10/10/2018  DESIGNATION CLRKS/REPORTR REC

DF-1 DESIGNATION FOR COURT REPORTER'S RECORD Event Code: 5409

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/10/2018  DESIGNATION CLRKS/REPORTR REC

DF-1 DESIGNATION FOR CLERK'S RECORD Event Code: 5409

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/10/2018 ASM:CLERKS RECORD

Event Code: 939 Adjmt Amount: 3192.00

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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/10/2018  MSF:BILL OF COST FOR CLERK REC
Form Number Bo3-2686 Issued by HAMILTON LYNDA SELINA (102) MSF:BILL OF COST FOR C Event Code: 102
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/11/2018  CLERKS RECORD TRANSMITTAL
FILED CLERK'S RECORD BY 3RE COA / HAND DELIVERED Event Code: 5606

10/11/2018  CLERKS RECORD TRANSMITTAL
FILED BY 3RD COA EXHIBITS TO BE INCLUDED WITH CLERK'S RECORD /// HAND DELIVERED Event Code: 5606

10/15/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER TO COURT OPERATIONS OFFICER Event Code: 5414
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/26/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414

10/26/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414

10/26/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414

11/06/2018  SUPPL DESIGNATION CLERK RECORD
DF-1 DESIGNATION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL CLERK'S RECORD Event Code: 5441
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/07/2018 ASM:CLERKS RECORD
Event Code: 939 Adjmt Amount: 11.00
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/07/2018  MSF:BILL OF COST FOR CLERK REC
Form Number Bo3-2709 Issued by HAMILTON LYNDA SELINA (102) MSF:BILL OF COST FOR C Event Code: 102
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

12/07/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
VACATION LETTER Event Code: 5414

12/07/2018  MSF:2ND NOT BILL CLERKS RECORD
Form Number Bo4-162 Issued by HELEN (103) MSF:2ND NOT BILL CLERKS RECOR Event Code: 103
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

12/10/2018  CLERKS RECORD TRANSMITTAL
TAMES RECORD SUBMISSION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL CLERK'S RECORD Event Code: 5606

12/11/2018  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414

06/26/2019  PLEADING
PLAINTIFF'S FIRST AMENDED PETITION Event Code: 5054

08/08/2019  PLEADING
PLAINTIFF'S THIRD AMENDED PETITION Event Code: 5054

08/30/2019  ORD:JUDGMENT

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OPINION AND JUDGMENT FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 8216

09/30/2019

RESPONSE*PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TEXAS CITIZENS PARTICIPATION ACT Event Code: 5153*

10/01/2019

ANSWER*DEFENDANTS' STIPULATION AND RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S THIRD AMENDED PETITION Event Code: 5150*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/18/2019

ORDER*ORDER ON PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215 AND DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER THE TCPA Event Code: 8225*

11/04/2019

MTN:SUB & OR WITHDRAW COUNSEL*MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL Event Code: 5268*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/06/2019

NTC:ATTORNEY/COUNSEL*NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL Event Code: 5550*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/07/2019

NOTICE OF APPEAL*DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL Event Code: 5553*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/07/2019

DESIGNATION CLRKS/REPORTR REC*DESIGNATION OF COURT REPORTER'S RECORD Event Code: 5409*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/07/2019

DESIGNATION CLRKS/REPORTR REC*DESIGNATION OF FILINGS FOR CLERK'S RECORD Event Code: 5409*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/08/2019

ASM:CLERKS RECORD*Event Code: 939 Adjmt Amount: 3303.00*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/08/2019

MSF:BILL OF COST FOR CLERK REC*Form Number Bo3-2966 Issued by HAMILTON LYNDA SELINA (102) MSF:BILL OF COST FOR C Event Code: 102*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/12/2019

LETTER/EMAIL/CORR*LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414*

11/13/2019

DESIGNATION CLRKS/REPORTR REC*REQUEST FOR COURT REPORTER'S RECORD Event Code: 5409*
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

11/18/2019

LETTER/EMAIL/CORR*RECORD SUBMISSION FOR CLERK'S RECORD CHAND DELIVERED TO 3RD COA Event Code: 5414*

11/19/2019

UNSIGNED/PROPOSED ORDER*UNSIGNED ORDER Event Code: 5422*

11/19/2019

LETTER/EMAIL/CORR*LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5414*

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12/04/2019  ORD:MANDATE
MANDATE FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 8218

03/25/2020  ORD:JUDGMENT
MEMORANDUM OPINION AND JUDGMENT FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 8216

06/26/2020  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER/EMAIL/CORR Event Code: 5414

07/06/2020  LETTER/EMAIL/CORR
LETTER/EMAIL/CORR FROM THIRD COURT OF APPEALS Event Code: 5414

01/22/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS Event Code: 5415

02/19/2021  OTHER
LETTER TO SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS Event Code: 5415

02/23/2021  OTHER
LETTER TO SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS Event Code: 5415

02/24/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS Event Code: 5415

03/09/2021  ASSIGNMENT BY PRESIDING JUDGE
ASSIGNMENT LETTER FROM JUDGE LIVINGSTON TO COUNSEL Event Code: 5423

03/10/2021  ASSIGNMENT BY PRESIDING JUDGE
ASSIGNMENT BY PRESIDING JUDGE Event Code: 5423

03/11/2021  OTHER
LETTER TO 3RD COA Event Code: 5415

03/11/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM JUDGE GUERRA GAMBLE Event Code: 5415

04/16/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 5415

04/20/2021  OTHER
LETTER TO MR GAUDIN FROM JUDGE GUERRA GAMBLE Event Code: 5415

04/27/2021  NOTICE
NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON BEHALF OF DEFENDANTS Event Code: 5554
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

04/27/2021  MOTION
DEFENDANTS? UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL AND WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL Event Code: 5265
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

05/14/2021  OTHER
MEDIA REQUEST Event Code: 5415

06/02/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM JUDGE GAMBLE Event Code: 5415

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06/03/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM JUDGE GUERRA GAMBLE Event Code: 5415

06/04/2021  ORDER
MANDATE FROM 3RD COA Event Code: 8225

06/15/2021  MOTION
DEFENDANTS' AMENDED UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL AND WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL Event Code: 5265
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

06/15/2021  OTHER
UNSIGNED ORDER/PROPOSED ORDER Event Code: 5415
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

06/21/2021  ORDER
ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' AMENDED UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL AND WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL Event Code: 8225

07/06/2021  MOTION
AGREED MOTION TO ENTER LEVEL 3 SCHEDULING ORDER Event Code: 5265

07/06/2021  MOTION
OPPOSED MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF MARC J. RANDAZZ A Event Code: 5265

07/06/2021  MOTION
OPPOSED MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF MARC J. RANDAZZ A Event Code: 5265
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

07/06/2021  OTHER
UNSIGNED ORDER/PROPOSED ORDER Event Code: 5415
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

07/06/2021  MOTION
PLAINTIFF'S SECOND MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215 Event Code: 5265

07/07/2021 ASM:CV MOTION FOR CONTEMPT
Event Code: 635 Adjmt Amount: 80.00

07/07/2021  OTHER
NON-PARTY AMOS PICTURES, LTD.'S REQUEST FOR ORDER TO ALLOW RECORDING AND BROADCASTING OF COURT PROCEEDINGS Event Code: 5415

07/12/2021  ORDER
ORDER OF CONSOLIDATION Event Code: 8225

07/12/2021  ORDER
LEVEL 3 SCHEDULING ORDER Event Code: 8225

07/19/2021  ORDER
ORDER ALLOWING RECORDING AND BROADCASTING OF COURT PROCEEDINGS Event Code: 8225

07/23/2021  ANSWER
PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION Event Code: 5150

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07/30/2021



ANSWER

REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF MAR C J. RANDAZZA Event Code: 5150

08/02/2021



ANSWER

PLAINTIFFS? SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE REGARDING WITNESS TAMPERING IN THIS LAWSUIT Event Code: 5150

08/02/2021



ANSWER

PLAINTIFFS? SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE REGARDING FALSE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST PLAINTIFFS? COUNSEL Event Code: 5150

08/09/2021



OTHER

NEIL HESLINS 2ND SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF ON DEFAULT SANCTIONS CONCERNING AUGUST 6 2021 ORDERS IN LAFFERTY Event Code: 5415

08/16/2021 Converted Event

08/17/2021



MOTION

SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF MARC J. RANDAZZA Event Code: 5265

08/18/2021



NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE DEPOSITION BY WRITTEN QUESTIONS Event Code: 5554

08/18/2021



ANSWER

PLAINTIFFS? RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS? SUPPLEMENT TO MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION Event Code: 5150

08/19/2021



MOTION

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PROTECTION REGARDING IN CAMERA REVIEW Event Code: 5265

08/30/2021 Converted Event

08/30/2021 Converted Event

08/30/2021



ANSWER

DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT Event Code: 5150

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/30/2021



ANSWER

DEFENDANTS? RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF?S SECOND MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215 Event Code: 5150

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

08/31/2021



ORDER

ORDER REGARDING PROTOCOL FOR IN CAMERA REVIEW Event Code: 8225

08/31/2021



ORDER

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF MARC J RA NDAZZA Event Code: 8225

09/01/2021



NOTICE

PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF FILING DECLARATION REGARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES Event Code: 5554

09/08/2021



ANSWER

DEFENDANTS? OBJECTIONS AND RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS? DECLARATION REGARDING ATTORNEYS? FEES Event Code:

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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

09/10/2021

ANSWER

PLAINTIFFS? RESPONSE TO DEFENDANTS? OBJECTIONS TO DECLARATION REGARDING ATTORNEYS? FEES Event Code: 5150

09/15/2021

MOTION

PLAINTIFFS? UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER OF CONFIDENTIALITY Event Code: 5265

09/15/2021 MOTION

PLAINTIFFS? UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER OF CONFIDENTIALITY Event Code: 5265

09/15/2021

MOTION

PLAINTIFFS? MOTION TO COMPEL RESPONSES TO SECOND SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS AND MOTION FOR SANCTIONS Event Code: 5265

09/15/2021

MOTION

PLAINTIFFS? MOTION FOR PROTECTION REGARDING MARC RANDAZZA Event Code: 5265

09/15/2021

MOTION

PLAINTIFFS? MOTION FOR LEAVE TO SERVE NET WORTH DISCOVERY Event Code: 5265

09/15/2021

NOTICE

PLAINTIFFS? NOTICE REGARDING STATUS OF DISCOVERY Event Code: 5554

09/15/2021

OTHER

PLAINTIFF'S DESIGNATION OF EXPERTS Event Code: 5415

09/27/2021

ORDER

(Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)

ORDER ON PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT

Party 2: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

10/05/2021

ORDER

(Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)

ORDER ON ATTORNEYS FEES FOR PLAINTIFFS MOTIONS FOR SANCTIONS

10/07/2021

RECEIPT OF EXHIBITS

Event Code : 5411

10/11/2021

NOTICE

NOTICE OF DELIVERY RE: CONTEMPORARY CARE PSYCHIATRIC CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE (MEDICAL/PSYCHIATRIC)

10/11/2021

NOTICE

NOTICE OF DELIVERY RE: CONTEMPORARY CARE PSYCHIATRIC CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE (MEDICAL/PSYCHIATRIC)

10/22/2021

ANSWER

DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS MOTION TO COMPEL RESPONSES TO SECOND SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS AND MOTION FOR SANCTIONS

10/22/2021

OTHER

UNSIGNED ORDER

10/22/2021

ANSWER

DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

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10/22/2021  OTHER
PROPOSED ORDER

10/25/2021  ANSWER
DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR LEAVE TO CONDUCT NET WORTH DISCOVERY

10/25/2021  OTHER
UNSIGNED PROPOSED ORDER

10/25/2021  ANSWER
DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR PROTECTION REGARDING MARC RANDAZZA

10/25/2021  OTHER
UNSIGNED PROPOSED ORDER

10/27/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
AMENDED ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT AND 2ND MOTION FOR CONTEMPT
Party 2: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;
Defendant INFOWARS LLC;
Defendant JONES, ALEX E;
Defendant SHROYER, OWEN

11/05/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR LEAVE TO SERVE NEW WORTH DISCOVERY

11/10/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM 3RD COA

11/17/2021  OTHER
LETTER FROM 3RD COA

11/17/2021  OTHER
MEMORANDUM OPINION FROM 3RD COA

11/30/2021  OTHER
RULE 203 CERTIFICATION - MUELLER, CARL, F., M.D., MPH, M.S., F.A.P.A. (Medical/Psychiatric)

11/30/2021  OTHER
RULE 203 CERTIFICATION - MUELLER, CARL, F., M.D., MPH, M.S., F.A.P.A. (Billing)

11/30/2021  OTHER
RULE 203 CERTIFICATION - CROUCH, MICHAEL, W., LCSW (Medical/Psychiatric)

12/03/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
ORDER ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER OF CONFIDENTIALITY

12/13/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
ORDER ON PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PROTECTION REGARDING MARC RANDAZZA

12/13/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

12/13/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

12/13/2021  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)

Case Summary**Case No. D-1-GN-18-001835****ORDER ON PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PROTECTION REGARDING MARC RANDAZZA**

12/27/2021

**MOTION****PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR SANCTIONS REGARDING CORPORATE DEPOSITION**

12/30/2021

MOTION**DEFENDANT, OWEN SHROYER S, MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE COURT S ORDER GRANTING A LIABILITY DEFAULT JUDGMENT ON PLAINTIFF S SECOND MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215**

Party: Defendant SHROYER, OWEN

12/30/2021

**OTHER****EXHIBIT 1 TRANSCRIPT OF 8/31/21 HEARING**

12/30/2021

**OTHER****PROPOSED ORDER**

12/30/2021

MOTION**DEFENDANT, ALEX JONES S, MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE COURT S ORDER GRANTING A LIABILITY DEFAULT JUDGMENT ON PLAINTIFF S SECOND MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215 AND MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

Party 2: Attorney Reeves, Bradley Jordan

12/30/2021

**OTHER****PROPOSED ORDER**

12/31/2021

MOTION**DEFENDANTS, FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC S AND INFOWARS, LLC S, MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE COURTS ORDER GRANTING A LIABILITY DEFAULT JUDGMENT ON PLAINTIFF S SECOND MOTION FOR CONTEMPT UNDER RULE 215 AND MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;

Defendant INFOWARS LLC

12/31/2021

**OTHER****EXHIBIT 1-TRANSCRIPT OF AUGUST 31,2021 HEARING**

12/31/2021

**OTHER****EXHIBIT 2-DECLARATION OF ALEX JONES**

12/31/2021

**OTHER****PROPOSED ORDER**

01/04/2022

**MOTION****DEFENDANTS MOTION TO EXCLUDE PLAINTIFFS EXPERTS, FRED ZIPP AND BECCA LEWIS**

Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;

Defendant INFOWARS LLC;

Defendant JONES, ALEX E;

Defendant SHROYER, OWEN

Party 2: Attorney Reeves, Bradley Jordan

01/04/2022

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Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC
Party 2: Attorney Blott, Jacquelyn W

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Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;
Defendant INFOWARS LLC;
Defendant JONES, ALEX E

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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

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Party 2: Attorney Bankston, Mark DuQuesnay

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Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;
Defendant INFOWARS LLC;
Defendant JONES, ALEX E;
Defendant SHROYER, OWEN

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Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;
Defendant INFOWARS LLC;
Defendant JONES, ALEX E;
Defendant SHROYER, OWEN
Party 2: Attorney Blott, Jacquelyn W

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ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF ADDITIONAL COUNSEL
Party 2: Attorney Moshenberg, Avishay

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PLAINTIFFS RESPONSE TO NORMAN PATTIS MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE
Party 2: Attorney Moshenberg, Avishay

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Party 2: Attorney Moshenberg, Avishay

03/04/2022  MOTION
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03/04/2022  MOTION
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Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;
Defendant INFOWARS LLC;
Defendant JONES, ALEX E
Party 2: Attorney REYNAL, FEDERICO ANDINO

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Party: Defendant FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC;
Defendant INFOWARS LLC;
Defendant JONES, ALEX E
Party 2: Attorney REYNAL, FEDERICO ANDINO

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Party: Defendant SHROYER, OWEN
Party 2: Attorney Blott, Jacquelyn W

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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

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Party 2: Attorney Bankston, Mark DuQuesnay

03/28/2022  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
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Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

03/28/2022  ORDER (Judicial Officer: GAMBLE, MAYA GUERRA)
ORDER DENYING NORMAN PATTIS MOTION FOR ADMISSION OF COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE
Party: Defendant JONES, ALEX E

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Velva L. Price
District Clerk
Travis County
D-1-GN-18-001835
Selina Hamilton

CAUSE NO. D-1-GN-18-001835

NEIL HESLIN,
Plaintiff

§ IN DISTRICT COURT OF

VS.

§ TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

ALEX E. JONES, INFOWARS, LLC,
FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and
OWEN SHROYER,
Defendants

§ § 261ST DISTRICT COURT
§ §

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

Plaintiff NEIL HESLIN files this original petition against Defendants, ALEX JONES, INFOWARS, LLC, FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and OWEN SHROYER, and alleges as follows:

DISCOVERY CONTROL PLAN

1. Plaintiff intends to seek a customized discovery control plan under Level 3 of Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 190.4.

PARTIES

2. Plaintiff Neil Heslin is an individual residing in the State of Connecticut.

3. Defendant Alex E. Jones is a resident of Austin, Texas. He is the host of radio and web-based news programming, including "The Alex Jones Show," and he owns and operates the website InfoWars.com. Mr. Jones can be served at his place of business, InfoWars, 3019 Alvin Devane Blvd., Suite 300-350, Austin, TX 78741.

4. Defendant InfoWars, LLC is a Texas limited liability company with principal offices located in Austin, Texas. It may be served at the address of its attorney, Eric Taube, at 100 Congress Avenue, 18th Floor, Austin, TX 78701.

5. Defendant Free Speech Systems, LLC is a Texas limited liability company with principal offices located in Austin, Texas. It may be served at the address of its registered agent, Eric Taube, at 100 Congress Avenue, 18th Floor, Austin, TX 78701.

6. Defendant Owen Shroyer is an individual residing in Travis County. At all times relevant to this suit, Mr. Daniels has been a reporter for InfoWars. Mr. Shroyer can be served at the address of his employer, InfoWars, 3019 Alvin Devane Blvd., Suite 300-350, Austin, TX 78741.

JURISDICTION & VENUE

7. The damages sought in this case exceed the minimum jurisdictional limits of Travis County District Courts.

8. Venue is proper in Travis County, Texas, because a suit for damages for defamation may be brought in the county in which a defendant resided at the time of filing, or the domicile of any corporate defendant, at the election of the plaintiff. *See Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §15.017.*

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

9. Plaintiff Neil Heslin is the father of deceased minor J.L., a victim of the December 14, 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School Shooting.

10. This case arises out of accusations by InfoWars in the summer of 2017 that Plaintiff was lying about whether he actually held his son's body and observed a bullet hole in his head. This heartless and vile act of defamation re-ignited the Sandy Hook "false flag" conspiracy and tore open the emotional wounds that Plaintiff has tried so desperately to heal.

11. This conspiracy theory, which has been pushed by InfoWars and Mr. Jones since the day of the shooting, alleges that the Sandy Hook massacre did not happen, or that it was staged by the government and concealed using actors, and that the parents of the victims are participants in a horrifying cover-up.

12. During the June 18, 2017 profile of Jones for her NBC show *Sunday Night with Megyn Kelly*, Ms. Kelly interviewed Plaintiff about the claims made by Jones in the past, including that "the whole thing was fake" and "a giant hoax."¹ Addressing this hateful lie, Plaintiff told Kelly, "I lost my son. I buried my son. I held my son with a bullet hole through his head."²

13. On June 26, 2017, InfoWars' broadcast featured a segment hosted by reporter Owen Shroyer in which Shroyer claimed to have reviewed evidence showing it was impossible for Plaintiff to have held his son and see his injury.

14. During the broadcast, Shroyer said, "The statement [Plaintiff] made, fact-checkers on this have said cannot be accurate. He's claiming that he held his son

¹ https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2017/06/18/full_video_megyn_kelly_interviews_alex_jones.html

² *Id.*

and saw the bullet hole in his head. That is his claim. Now, according to a timeline of events and a coroner's testimony, that is not possible.”³

15. As support for these defamatory statements, Shroyer played video footage where the local medical examiner informed reporters that the slain students were initially identified using photographs rather than in person.

16. Shroyer also stated, “You would remember if you held your dead kid in your hands with a bullet hole. That's not something you would just misspeak on.”⁴

17. Shroyer continued by stating that Plaintiff was “making a pretty extreme claim that would be a very thing vivid in your memory, holding his dead child.”⁵

18. “The conspiracy theorists on the internet out there have a lot of questions are that are yet to be answered. You say whatever you want about the event, that's just a fact.”⁶

19. At the conclusion of his report, Shroyer stated, “Will there be a clarification from Heslin or Megyn Kelly? I wouldn't hold your breath. [Laugh]. So now they're fueling the conspiracy theory claims. Unbelievable.”⁷

20. The underlying point or gist of Shroyer's report is that Plaintiff's version “is not possible” and “cannot be accurate,” and that Plaintiff was lying about the circumstances of his son's tragic death for a nefarious and criminal purpose.

³ <https://www.infowars.com/zero-hedge-discovers-anomaly-in-alex-jones-hit-piece/>

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ *Id.*

21. Shroyer's report was manifestly false. In addition, a minimal amount of research would have caused any competent journalist not to publish the defamatory accusation. According to contemporary news accounts, the bodies of the victims were released from the medical examiner into the custody of the families.⁸ Funerals where the children's bodies were in the custody of their parents were widely reported on by the press.⁹

22. On July 20, InfoWars programming featured a segment hosted by Alex Jones in which Shroyer's report was re-broadcast in full. When introducing the segment, Jones demanded that Plaintiff "clarify" what actually happened.

23. After showing the segment, Jones said he told Shroyer, "I could never find out. The stuff I found was they never let them see their bodies. That's kind of what's weird about this. But maybe they did. So I'm sure it's all real. But for some reason they don't want you to see [Shroyer's segment]."¹⁰

24. Regarding the Sandy Hook shooting, Jones said, "Can I prove that New Haven [sic] didn't happen? No. So I've said, for years, we've had debates about it, that I don't know. But you can't blame people for asking."¹¹

25. Mr. Jones was lying. In the five years following the tragedy, he has repeatedly and unequivocally called the Sandy Hook shooting a hoax.

⁸ <https://patch.com/connecticut/newtown/police-no-motive-emerging-in-newtown-school-shooting>

⁹ <http://abcnews.go.com/US/photos/sandy-hook-moment-silence-18026580/image-18045101>;
https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/funerals-for-newtown-massacre-victims-begin/2012/12/17/ffd0a130-486d-11e2-820e-17eefac2f939_story.html?utm_term=.0ccb4af100

¹⁰ <https://www.mediamatters.org/blog/2017/07/21/alex-jones-sandy-hook-dad-needs-clarify-whether-he-actually-held-his-son-s-body-and-saw-bullet-hole/217333>

¹¹ *Id.*

BACKGROUND TO INFOWARS' 2017 DEFAMATORY STATEMENTS

26. In order to appreciate the full defamatory impact and the extent of the mental anguish caused by InfoWars' 2017 statements, it is necessary to understand InfoWars' long history of harassing the Sandy Hook parents with defamatory lies. InfoWars' 2017 statements are but the latest in a series of false, hurtful, and dangerous assertions about Plaintiff and the parents of the other victims.

27. In 2013, Jones called the shooting "staged" and said, "It's got inside job written all over it."¹²

28. In March 2014, Jones said, "Folks, we've got video of Anderson Cooper with clear blue-screen out there. [Shaking head]. He's not there in the town square. We got people clearly coming up and laughing and then doing the fake crying. We've clearly got people where it's actors playing different parts for different people, the building bulldozed, covering up everything. Adam Lanza trying to get guns five times we're told. The witnesses not saying it was him...I've looked at it and undoubtedly, there's a cover-up, there's actors, they're manipulating, they've been caught lying, and they were pre-planning before it and rolled out with it."¹³

29. In May 2014, InfoWars published an article titled: "CONNECTICUT TRIES TO HIDE SANDY HOOK TRUTH."¹⁴

¹² <https://www.mediamatters.org/blog/2013/04/15/alex-jones-on-boston-blasts-us-govt-is-prime-su/193635>; <https://www.mediamatters.org/embed/clips/2016/11/29/51289/gcn-alexjones-20130409-sandyhook>

¹³ <https://www.mediamatters.org/embed/clips/2016/11/29/51283/gcn-alexjones-20140314-shooting>

¹⁴ <https://www.infowars.com/connecticut-tries-to-hide-sandy-hook-truth/>

30. In September 2014, InfoWars published an article titled: "FBI SAYS NO ONE KILLED AT SANDY HOOK."¹⁵

31. In December 2014, Jones said on his radio program, "The whole thing is a giant hoax. How do you deal with a total hoax? It took me about a year, with Sandy Hook, to come to grips with the fact that the whole thing was fake. I did deep research."¹⁶

32. In the same December 2014 broadcast, Jones continued: "The general public doesn't know the school was actually closed the year before. They don't know they've sealed it all, demolished the building. They don't know that they had the kids going in circles in and out of the building as a photo-op. Blue screen, green screens, they got caught using."¹⁷

33. Jones made similar comments in January 2015, stating on InfoWars: "You learn the school had been closed and re-opened. And you've got video of the kids going in circles, in and out of the building, and they don't call the rescue choppers for two hours, and then they tear the building down, and seal it. And they get caught using blue-screens, and an email by Bloomberg comes out in a lawsuit, where he's telling his people get ready in the next 24 hours to capitalize on a shooting. Yeah, so Sandy Hook is a synthetic, completely fake with actors, in my view, manufactured. I couldn't believe it at first. I knew they had actors there, clearly, but I thought they killed some real kids. And it just shows how bold they are

¹⁵ <https://www.infowars.com/fbi-says-no-one-killed-at-sandy-hook/>

¹⁶ https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2017/06/18/full_video_megyn_kelly_interviews_alex_jones.html

¹⁷ <https://www.mediamatters.org/embed/clips/2016/11/29/51292/gcn-alexjones-20141228-sandyhook>

that they clearly used actors. I mean they even ended up using photos of kids killed in mass shootings here in a fake mass shooting in Turkey, or Pakistan. The sky is now the limit.”¹⁸

34. Mr. Jones’ statement about Pakistan refers to a conspiracy theory Jones helped spread involving deceased minor child N.P., a Sandy Hook victim whose photograph appeared at vigil for children slain a school attack in Peshawar. On the day of the Peshawar incident, a Pakistani woman created a collage of photographs of young people killed in school attacks and posted it to Facebook with the caption “They Went to School and Never Came Back.”¹⁹ Because the Peshawar shooting occurred very close to the anniversary of the Sandy Hook massacre, she included a picture of a child from the latter event, along with pictures of Peshawar victims.²⁰ That collage was then printed out and cut up into the individual photographs displayed by mourners at a vigil for the Peshawar victims.²¹

35. In the same month, January of 2015, InfoWars published an article titled: “MYSTERY: SANDY HOOK VICTIM DIES (AGAIN) IN PAKISTAN.”²² The article states: “A large-scale attack on a school in Peshawar, Pakistan, last month left 132 school children and 10 teachers dead. Among the alleged victims emerged the familiar face of [deceased minor N.P.], one of the children supposedly killed in the December 2012 Sandy Hook school shooting in Newtown, Connecticut.” InfoWars’

¹⁸ <https://www.mediamatters.org/embed/clips/2016/11/29/51290/gcn-alexjones-20150113-shooting>

¹⁹ <https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/info-boors/>

²⁰ *Id.*

²¹ *Id.*

²² <https://www.infowars.com/mystery-sandy-hook-victim-dies-again-in-pakistan/>

story was meant to reinforce Mr. Jones' persistent lie that N.P. and the other victims of the shooting, such as Plaintiff's son J.L., are not real.

36. In July 2015, Mr. Jones stated on InfoWars: "But you've got green-screen with Anderson Cooper, where I was watching the video, and the flower and plants were blowing in some of them, and then they blow again the same way. It's looped. And then his nose disappears. I mean, it's fake. The whole thing is...I don't know what happened. It's kind of like if you see a hologram at Disney World in the Haunted House. You know? I don't know how they do it, but it's not real. When you take your kids to see the Haunted House and ghosts are flying around, it's not real, folks. It's staged. I mean, a magician grabs a rabbit out of his hat. I know he's got a box under the table that he reaches in and gets the rabbit. I don't know what the trick is here. I've got a good suspicion. But when you've got Wolfgang Halbig...He believed it was real. People called him. He went and investigated. No paperwork, no nothing. It's bull. And now an FBI retired agent, who retired, you know, with decorations. I mean, [InfoWars reporter Rob] Dew, this unprecedented."²³

37. In the same month, InfoWars published an article titled: "MEGA MASSIVE COVER UP: RETIRED FBI AGENT INVESTIGATES SANDY HOOK."²⁴

38. In January of 2016, Florida resident Lucy Richards left threatening voicemail messages and sent violent emails to Leonard Pozner, a fellow Sandy Hook parent and personal friend of Plaintiff Neil Heslin. The threats included messages

²³ <https://www.mediamatters.org/embed/clips/2016/11/29/51284/gcn-alexjones-20150707-shooting>

²⁴ <https://www.infowars.com/mega-massive-cover-up-retired-fbi-agent-investigates-sandy-hook/>

stating: "you gonna die, death is coming to you real soon" and "LOOK BEHIND YOU IT IS DEATH."²⁵ When Richards was later sentenced, Senior U.S. District Judge James Cohn stated: "I'm sure [Leonard Pozner] wishes this was false, and he could embrace [N.P.], hear [N.P.'s] heartbeat and hear [N.P.] say 'I love you, Dad'...Your words were cruel and insensitive. This is reality and there is no fiction. There are no alternative facts."²⁶ As part of her sentence, Ms. Richards will not be permitted to access a list of conspiracy-based websites upon her release, including InfoWars.²⁷ Ms. Richard's arrest and sentencing are an ominous reminder to the Plaintiff of the danger posed by InfoWars' continuing lies about Sandy Hook.

39. In November 2016, Mr. Jones appeared on InfoWars and ranted about false Sandy Hook claims for twenty minutes.²⁸

40. During the November 2016 video broadcast, Mr. Jones stated: "That shows some kind of cover-up happening. And then I saw Anderson Cooper -- I've been in TV for twenty-something years, I know a blue-screen or a green-screen -- turn and his nose disappeared. Then I saw clearly that they were using footage on the green-screen looped, because it would show flowers and other things during other broadcasts that were moving, and then basically cutting to the same piece of

²⁵ <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/conspiracy-theorist-arrested-death-threats-against-sandy-hook-parent-n693396>

²⁶ <http://www.nydailynews.com/news/crime/judge-hands-sandy-hook-truther-prison-sentence-article-1.3229754>

²⁷ <https://www.buzzfeed.com/claudiakoerner/a-conspiracy-theorist-will-serve-time-for-threatening-a>

²⁸ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MwudDfz1yAk>

footage...Then we see footage of one of the reported fathers of the victims, Robbie Parker, doing classic acting training."²⁹

41. The gist of these statements was that the Sandy Hook parents, including Plaintiff Neil Heslin, are participating in a sinister manipulation plan to fool the public.

42. During the November 2016 broadcast, Jones played video footage of Anderson Cooper interviewing Sandy Hook parent Veronique De La Rosa, at which point Jones stated: "We point out clear chromakey, also known as blue-screen or greenscreen being used, and we're demonized. We point out that they're clearly doing fake interviews."³⁰ This false statement was likewise used to support Mr. Jones' vicious lie.

43. Towards the end of the November 2016 broadcast, Mr. Jones stated: "Why should anybody fear an investigation? If they have nothing to hide? In fact, isn't that in Shakespeare's Hamlet? Methinks you protest too much...This particular case, they are so scared of investigation. Everything they do ends up blowing up in their face, so guys are going to get what you want now. I'm going to start re-investigating Sandy Hook and everything else that happened with it."³¹

44. Mr. Jones concluded the video by stating: "So, if children were lost at Sandy Hook, my heart goes out to each and every one of those parents. And the people who say they're parents that I see on the news. The only problem is, I've

²⁹ *Id.*

³⁰ *Id.*

³¹ *Id.*

watched a lot of soap operas. And I've seen actors before. And I know when I'm watching a movie and when I'm watching something real."³²

45. The November 2016 video broadcast was entitled, "Alex Jones Final Statement on Sandy Hook." It was Plaintiff's hope that the title was accurate, and that Mr. Jones would finally end his reckless attacks on the Sandy Hook parents and his assertions that they were liars and actors engaged in a fraud on the American people.

46. As horrifying as the November 2016 broadcast was, its promise of being the "Final Statement" gave hope to Plaintiff that his harassment and defamation by Mr. Jones might be coming to an end after four long years.

47. Those hopes were soon dashed. Instead, InfoWars made continuing defamatory comments in 2017 as outlined above.

48. Mr. Jones also made additional comments in April of 2017 which repeated the claims which form the rickety structure of Mr. Jones' colossal lie about Sandy Hook, including the allegation that fellow Sandy Hook parent Veronique De La Rosa conducted a fake interview with Anderson Cooper to hide the truth, while telling his viewers not to "believe any of it."³³

³² *Id.*

³³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rUn1jKhWTXI>

49. On June 18, 2017, Mr. Jones made additional comments when interviewed by Megyn Kelly, during which he stated: "I do think there's some cover-up and some manipulation."³⁴ The following exchange took place:

MEGYN KELLY: But Alex, the parents, one after the other, devastated. The dead bodies that the coroner autopsied ...

ALEX JONES: And they blocked all that. And they won't release any of it. That's unprecedented.³⁵

50. Jones and Kelly also had the following exchange:

JONES: But then what do you do, when they've got the kids going in circles, in and out of the building with their hands up? I've watched the footage. And it looks like a drill.

MEGYN KELLY: When you say, "parents faked their children's death," people get very angry.

ALEX JONES: Yeah, well, that's - oh, I know. But they don't get angry about the half million dead Iraqis from the sanctions. Or they don't get angry about all the illegals pouring in.³⁶

51. Shortly following the Megyn Kelly interview, on June 26, 2017, InfoWars reporter Owen Shroyer made the defamatory statements referenced above.

52. As such, the broadcasts made by InfoWars on June 26, 2017 and July 20, 2017 defaming Mr. Heslin did not occur in isolation. Rather, the statements were a continuation and elaboration of a years-long campaign to falsely attack the

³⁴ https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2017/06/18/full_video_megyn_kelly_interviews_alex_jones.html

³⁵ *Id.*

³⁶ *Id.*

honesty of the Sandy Hook parents, casting them as participants in a ghastly conspiracy and cover-up.

53. By making renewed accusations about Plaintiff in 2017, InfoWars breathed new life into this conspiracy and caused intense emotional anguish and despair. For that reason, Plaintiff brings this suit against Defendants.

CAUSE OF ACTION

I. Defamation and Defamation *Per Se*

54. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.

55. Plaintiff is a private individual and is neither a public official nor a public figure.

56. The June 26, 2017 and July 20, 2017 broadcasts by Defendants were false, both in their particular facts and in the main point, essence, or gist in the context in which they were made.

57. The June 26, 2017 and July 20, 2017 broadcasts by Defendants, while defamatory in their own right, were also continuations and elaborations of an underlying defamatory assertion which Defendants have advanced since 2013, namely that Plaintiff has lied to the American people about the death of his son and has participated in a horrifying criminal cover-up.

58. In viewing the June 26, 2017 and July 20, 2017 broadcasts, a reasonable member of the public would be justified in inferring that the publications implicated the Plaintiff.

59. The June 26, 2017 and July 20, 2017 broadcasts were also defamatory because they are reasonably susceptible to a defamatory meaning by innuendo. A reasonable person, reviewing the statements in question, could conclude the Plaintiff was being accused of engaging in fraudulent or illegal activity. In context, the gist of the statements could be construed as defamatory to the Plaintiff by an average member of general public.

60. Defendants' defamatory publications were designed to harm Plaintiff's reputation and subject the Plaintiff to public contempt, disgrace, ridicule, or attack.

61. Defendants acted with actual malice. Defendants' defamatory statements were knowingly false or made with reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the statements at the time the statements were made.

62. Defendants' defamatory statements were not privileged.

63. Defendants' defamatory statements constitute defamation *per se*. The harmful nature of the defamatory statements is self-evident. The defamatory statements implicate the Plaintiff in heinous criminal conduct. False implications of criminal conduct are the classic example of defamation *per se*.

64. Defendants publicly disseminated the defamatory publications to an enormous audience causing significant damages to the Plaintiff.

65. Defendants' defamatory publications have injured Plaintiff's reputation and image, and they have exposed Plaintiff to public and private hatred, contempt, and ridicule.

66. In light of their prior experience with these kind of reckless statements, Defendants knew that their publication could cause Plaintiff to suffer harassment and potential violence.

67. Defendants' defamatory publications have and will continue to cause harm to Plaintiff. Due to Defendants' conduct, the Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer substantial damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

III. Conspiracy

68. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.

69. Defendants acted together, as a cabal, to accomplish their campaign of defamation. Defendants had a meeting of the minds on the object or course of action underlying their pattern of recklessly defamatory publications.

70. As a result of this meeting of the minds, Defendants collectively committed the unlawful overt acts detailed above.

71. Defendants are jointly and severally liable for the injuries Mr. Heslin suffered due to Defendants' wrongful actions.

IV. Respondeat Superior

72. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.

73. When InfoWars employees acted in the manner described in this Petition, they did so as agents of InfoWars and within the scope of their authority from Mr. Jones.

74. InfoWars and Alex Jones are liable for the damages proximately caused by the conduct of employees and agents, including Owen Shroyer, pursuant to the doctrine of *respondeat superior*.

DAMAGES

75. Plaintiff has suffered general and special damages, including a severe degree of mental stress and anguish which has disrupted his daily routine and caused a high degree of psychological pain.

76. Plaintiff has also suffered damage to his reputation and image, both up to the present and into the future.

77. Because Defendants' conduct amounts to defamation *per se*, Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of presumed damages.

78. Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of nominal damages and a judgment clearing his name.

79. Plaintiff is also entitled to exemplary damages because the Defendants acted with malice.

80. Plaintiff is also entitled to pre-judgment and post-judgment interest, costs of court, and attorney's fees.

81. Pursuant to Rule 47 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff is seeking relief in excess of \$1,000,000.

JURY DEMAND

82. Plaintiff demands a jury trial and tenders the appropriate fee with this petition.

REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

83. Plaintiff requests that Defendants disclose, within 50 days of the service of this request, the information or material described in Rule 194.2.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiff Neil Heslin asks that the Court issue citation for each Defendant to appear and answer, and that Plaintiff be awarded all the damages set forth above, and to grant whatever further relief to which Plaintiff is justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

KASTER LYNCH FARRAR & BALL, LLP



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CAUSE NUMBER (FOR CLERK USE ONLY): _____

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STYLED NEIL HESLIN VS. ALEX E. JONES, INFOWARS, LLC, FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and OWEN SHROYER

(e.g., John Smith v. All American Insurance Co; In re Mary Ann Jones; In the Matter of the Estate of George Jackson)

A civil case information sheet must be completed and submitted when an original petition or application is filed to initiate a new civil, family law, probate, or mental health case or when a post-judgment petition for modification or motion for enforcement is filed in a family law case. The information should be the best available at the time of filing.

1. Contact information for person completing case information sheet:		Names of parties in case:	Person or entity completing sheet is:
Name: <u>Mark D. Bankston</u>	Email: <u>mark@fbtrial.com</u>	Plaintiff(s)/Petitioner(s): <u>NEIL HESLIN</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attorney for Plaintiff/Petitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Pro Se Plaintiff/Petitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Title IV-D Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Address: <u>1010 Lamar, Ste. 1600</u>	Telephone: <u>(713) 221-8300</u>	Defendant(s)/Respondent(s):	Additional Parties in Child Support Case:
City/State/Zip: <u>Houston, Texas 77002</u>	Fax: <u>(713) 221-8301</u>	<u>ALEX E. JONES, INFOWARS, LLC, FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and OWEN SHROYER</u>	Custodial Parent: _____
Signature: <u>/s/ Mark D. Bankston</u>	State Bar No: <u>24034828</u>	[Attach additional page as necessary to list all parties]	Non-Custodial Parent: _____
Presumed Father: _____			

2. Indicate case type, or identify the most important issue in the case (select only 1):

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3. Indicate procedure or remedy, if applicable (may select more than 1):

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4. Indicate damages sought (do not select if it is a family law case):

<input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$100,000, including damages of any kind, penalties, costs, expenses, pre-judgment interest, and attorney fees <input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$100,000 and non-monetary relief <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$100,000 but not more than \$200,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$200,000 but not more than \$1,000,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over \$1,000,000

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April 23, 2018

Via E:File

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Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Cause No. D-1-GN-18-001835, *Neil Heslin vs., Alex E. Jones, InfoWars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC, and Owen Shroyer*, In the 261st Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas.

Dear Clerk,

Please accept this correspondence as a request for citations in the above cited cause of action. Additionally, I would request that the citations be delivered to the e-mail address of eric@fbtrial.com.

Thank you for your time and assistance in this matter.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M B".

Mark Bankston

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<input type="checkbox"/> ATTORNEY PICK-UP	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSTABLE
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2. NAME: InfoWars, LLCADDRESS: AGENT, (if applicable): Eric Taube, 100 Congres Avenue, 18th Floor, Austin, Texas 78701TYPE OF SERVICE/PROCESS TO BE ISSUED (see reverse for specific type): **SERVICE BY (check one):**

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2. NAME: Owen ShroyerADDRESS: 3019 Alvin Devane Blvd., Ste. 300-350, Austin, Texas 78741AGENT, (if applicable): TYPE OF SERVICE/PROCESS TO BE ISSUED (see reverse for specific type): **SERVICE BY (check one):**

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v. § TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
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FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and §
OWEN SHROYER, §
§ Defendants § 261st JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DEFENDANTS' ORIGINAL ANSWER

COMES NOW, Defendants Alex Jones, Infowars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC, and Owen Shroyer (collectively, the “Defendants”), hereby file this Original Answer and show the Court the following:

I.

GENERAL DENIAL

Pursuant to Rule 92 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendants generally deny each and every, all and singular, the material allegations contained in Plaintiff’s Original Petition and demand strict proof thereof by a preponderance of the evidence.

II.

AFFIRMATIVE AND OTHER DEFENSES

Pursuant to Rule 94 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendants plead the following:

2.01 For further answer if need be, Defendants allege that Plaintiff’s claims are barred by the Statute of Limitations.

2.02 For further answer if need be, Defendants allege that Plaintiff’s claims are

barred because the alleged defamatory claims/broadcasts constitute Defendants' opinions.

III.

RELIEF REQUESTED

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Defendants pray that Plaintiff take nothing by his suit and that Defendants be allowed to go hence without day and with all costs and that the Court grant such other and further relief, at law or in equity, to which Defendants may prove themselves to be justly entitled and for which they will ever pray.

GLAST, PHILLIPS & MURRAY, P.C.

/s/ Preston C. Enoch

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been served upon the parties listed below via email and via efile.txcourts.gov's e-service system on June 18, 2018:

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June 27, 2018

Via efilng

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Travis County
1000 Guadalupe, 5th floor
Austin, TX 78701

Re: **Vacation/Unavailability Letter; Neil Heslin v. Alex E. Jones, Infowars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC and Owen Shroyer; Cause No. D-1-GN-18-001835**, 261st District Court, Travis County, Texas

Dear Clerk:

I will be on vacation/unavailable on the following dates:

July 14 – August 1
August 12 – August 22

Please do not schedule any hearings or court trial dates during this time-frame. By copy of this letter I am requesting that opposing counsel not schedule any hearings or depositions during this time period as well. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Mark C. Enoch

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cc: Mr. Mark D. Bankston (*via e-service*)



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D-1-GN-18-001835
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June 28, 2018

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Re: **Vacation/Unavailability Letter**; Cause No. D-1-GN-18-001835, *Neil Heslin vs., Alex E. Jones, InfoWars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC, and Owen Shroyer*, In the 261st Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas.

Dear Sir or Madam:

I will be on vacation/unavailable on the following dates:

August 2, 2018, through August 10, 2018.

Please do not schedule any hearings or court trial dates during this time frame. By copy of this letter, I am requesting that opposing counsel not schedule any hearings or depositions during this time-period as well. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Bankston".

Mark Bankston

cc: **BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION:** fly63rc@verizon.net
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Re: **Amended Vacation/Unavailability Letter; Neil Heslin v. Alex E. Jones, Infowars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC and Owen Shroyer; Cause No. D-1-GN-18-001835, 261st District Court, Travis County, Texas**

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Dear Clerk:

The Court's online docket for this case indicates that Preston Enoch is the counsel of record for defendants in the captioned case. Preston Enoch is no longer part of the Glast, Phillips & Murray, P.C. firm or associated with this case. We request that you correct your records to reflect that the undersigned, Mark Enoch with Glast, Phillips & Murray, P.C., is counsel for all defendants.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Mark C. Enoch

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cc: Mr. Mark D. Bankston (*via e-service*)